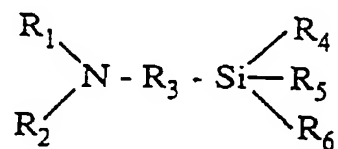


IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-10 (cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) A cosmetic composition comprising, in a cosmetically acceptable aqueous medium, at least 0.02% by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition, of at least one substantially unpolymerized water-soluble organosilicon compound, the organosilicon compound being:

a silane having one silicon atom having the formula:



in which:

R₄ represents a halogen or an OR' or R'₁ group;

R₅ represents a halogen or an OR'' or R'₂ group;

R₆ represents a halogen or an OR''' or R'₃ group;

R₁, R₂, R₃, R', R'', R''', R'₁, R'₂ and R'₃ represent, independently of each other, an acid substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched hydrocarbon-based group,

R₁, R₂, R', R'' and R''' may represent, independently of each other, hydrogen, at least two of the groups R₄, R₅ and R₆ being other than the groups R'₁, R'₂ and R'₃.

or a siloxane having two or three silicon atoms, the organosilicon compound [also] having at least one basic chemical function and at least two hydrolyzable or hydroxyl groups per molecule, the composition containing a sufficient amount of a neutralizing agent such that the organosilicon compound is neutralized to a proportion of from 1/1000 to 99/100.

12. (Original) The cosmetic composition of claim 11, wherein the organosilicon compound represents at least 0.5% and up to 50% by weight of the composition.

13. (Original) The composition of claim 11, wherein the basic chemical function of the organosilicon compound is a primary, secondary or tertiary amine.

14. (Original) The composition of claim 11, wherein the hydrolyzable groups are alkoxy, aryloxy or halogen groups.

Claims 15-17 (Cancelled)

18. (Original) The composition of claim 11, wherein the neutralizing agent is an acid.

19. (Original) The composition of claim 18, wherein the neutralizing agent is hydrochloric acid, nitric acid or a mono-, di- or tricarboxylic organic acid.

20. (Original) The composition of claim 11, wherein the composition is in the form of a hair product.

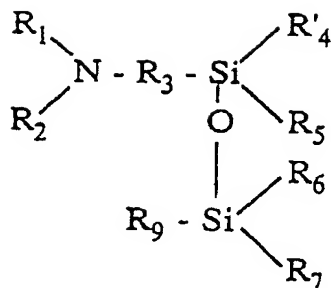
21. (Original) The composition of claim 20, wherein the composition is in the form of a hair product for holding the hair or for shaping the hair.

22. (Original) The composition of claim 11, wherein the organosilicon compound is neutralized to a proportion of from 0.2/100 to 70/100.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Cancelled)

25. (New) The cosmetic composition of claim 11, wherein the organosilicon compound has the formula:



in which:

R'_4 represents a halogen or an OR_{11} group;

R_5 represents a halogen or an OR'' or R'_2 group;

R_6 represents a halogen or an OR''' or R'_3 group;

R_7 represents a halogen or an OR_{10} or R''_1 group;

R_9 represents a halogen or an OR_8 , R''_2 or $\text{R}_3\text{NR}_1\text{R}_2$ group;

R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R'' , R''' , R'_2 and R'_3 represent, independently of each other, a substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched hydrocarbon-based group;

R_1 , R_2 , R'' and R''' may represent, independently of each other, hydrogen, at least two of the groups R_5 and R_6 being other than the groups R'_2 and R'_3 ;

R''_1 , R''_2 , R_8 , R_{10} and R_{11} represent a substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or unsaturated, linear or branched hydrocarbon-based group; and

R_{11} , R_{10} and R_8 may represent, independently of each other, hydrogen, at least one of the groups R_6 , R_7 and R_9 denoting a halogen or an OR''' , OR_{10} or OR_8 group.

26. (New) The cosmetic composition of claim 25, wherein the groups R_1 , R_2 , R' , R'_1 , R'_2 , R'_3 , R'' , R''' , R''_1 , R''_2 , R_8 , R_{10} and R_{11} are a C_1 to C_{12} alkyl radical, a C_6 to C_{14} aryl radical, a $(\text{C}_1$ to $\text{C}_8)$ alkyl $(\text{C}_6$ to $\text{C}_{14})$ aryl radical or $(\text{C}_6$ to $\text{C}_{14})$ aryl $(\text{C}_1$ to $\text{C}_8)$ alkyl radical.